

What is claimed is:

1. An image-taking apparatus comprising:  
an image sensor that captures an image;  
an image recorder that records an image captured by the image sensor on a recording medium;  
a display that displays an image recorded on the recording medium;  
a first selector that selects a mode for adding relevant information to an image captured by the image sensor; and  
a second selector that, when the first selector selects the mode for adding relevant information, selects as an image to which to add relevant information either an image recorded on the recording medium or an image that is going to be newly captured by the image sensor.
2. An image-taking apparatus as claimed in claim 1,  
wherein the relevant information is annotation information.
3. An image-taking apparatus as claimed in claim 2,  
wherein, when the second selector selects an image recorded on the recording medium as an image to which to add annotation information, the display displays a selection screen for permitting selection of an image to which to add annotation information.
4. An image-taking apparatus as claimed in claim 3,  
wherein, also when an image selected as an image to which to add annotation information is deleted from the recording medium, the display displays the selection screen

for permitting selection of an image to which to add annotation information.

5. An image-taking apparatus as claimed in claim 3,  
wherein the selection screen includes an image to which to add annotation information  
and an indication relating to annotation information already added thereto.

6. An image-taking apparatus as claimed in claim 2, further comprising:  
an operation member operated by a user; and  
a reproducer that, when the operation member is operated while an image to which to  
add annotation information is being displayed on the display, reproduces annotation  
information already added to the image displayed on the display.

7. An image-taking apparatus as claimed in claim 2, further comprising:  
a display controller that, when the second selector selects an image recorded on the  
recording medium as an image to which to add annotation information, displays on the  
display an image selected last time as an image to which to add annotation information before  
permitting selection of an image to which to add annotation information.

8. An image-taking apparatus as claimed in claim 2, further comprising:  
a display controller that, when the second selector selects an image recorded on the  
recording medium as an image to which to add annotation information, displays on the  
display an image to which annotation information has already been added as an image to  
which to add annotation information before permitting selection of an image to which to add  
annotation information.

9. An image-taking apparatus as claimed in claim 2,  
wherein the annotation information is an image that is going to be newly captured by  
the image sensor
10. An image-taking apparatus as claimed in claim 2, further comprising:  
a sound recorder that records a sound,  
wherein the annotation information is a sound recorded by the sound recorder.
11. An image-taking apparatus as claimed in claim 2,  
wherein the annotation information is added to a region within an image displayed on  
the display.
12. An image-taking apparatus as claimed in claim 11,  
wherein, as the annotation information, different pieces of annotation information are  
added to a plurality of regions within an image displayed on the display.
13. A method for adding relevant information to a captured image, comprising the  
steps of:  
selecting a mode for adding relevant information to a captured image; and  
selecting, when the mode for adding relevant information is selected, as an image to  
which to add relevant information either an image recorded on a recording medium or an  
image that is going to be newly captured; and  
adding relevant information to a selected image.

14. A method as claimed in claim 13,  
wherein the relevant information is annotation information.

15. An image-taking apparatus comprising:  
an image sensor for capturing an image;  
an image recorder for recording an image captured by the image sensor on a recording medium;  
a display for displaying an image recorded on the recording medium;  
a first selector for selecting a mode for adding relevant information to an image captured by the image sensor; and  
a second selector for, when the first selector selects the mode for adding relevant information, selecting as an image to which to add relevant information either an image recorded on the recording medium or an image that is going to be newly captured by the image sensor.

16. An image-taking apparatus as claimed in claim 15,  
wherein the relevant information is annotation information.